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# From the Rector

Christian Aid Week May 11-17th

Dear Friends, Please read this article from Christian Aid. In your magazine you will find a Christian Aid Envelope; you can either take it to your local church or send it direct to the address on the envelope. Please support this important charity.

War tears lives apart

Love can help piece them back together

**'The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer... in whom I take refuge.'**  
2 Samuel 22:2-3

For a growing number of people across the world, the horror of war is a part of daily life. Right now, fuelled by the devastating violence in both Syria and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the numbers of people driven from their homes by war is on the rise. It stands at 42 million people – an appalling statistic and a stain on **the conscience of humanity. We can't** turn our backs. We must act now.

The good news is that your church can make a real difference.

Last year, a magnificent 20,000 churches across the country helped raise over £12m for Christian Aid Week. This Christian Aid Week (11–17 May 2014) we want to go even further. We want every church in Britain and Ireland to get involved – whether by giving, acting or praying.

Together we can send people living in fear this message: you are not alone. **We're with you, helping you to rebuild** your lives, and working for peace.



Imagine what such an expression of love would mean to people searching for the strength to cope with the devastation of war, and how it could help to drive out their fear.

**Demonstrate God's love for those** living in poverty and show how much good the church is doing in the world this Christian Aid Week.

Together we can reach the 42 million people caught up in conflict and help them live a life free from fear.

Could you provide the gift of hope?

£15 could provide blankets for refugee children to protect them from bitter night-time temperatures.

£40 could provide enough good quality and nutritious food for two refugee children for a month.

£150 could help us provide specialist emotional support for a child deeply traumatised by the horror of war that **they've witnessed or experienced.**

**Be an instrument of God's peace.** Give, act and pray this Christian Aid Week.

## Friendship Club

A few - a very few - of us met for coffee and chat on the first Wednesday of April. We discussed possible venues for our annual outing in June (coming up quickly) but no decision was made. If anyone has any ideas where we might go please let me know and we can decide at next **month's meeting**. Hopefully everyone that missed the meeting due to the nasty cold virus that was doing the rounds is now fully recovered and we hope to see you in May. Considering the number of people who attended there was a roaring trade on the Book Stall - some new titles which were quickly whisked away!

Our May meeting is on Wednesday 7th and if I get myself organised in time we may have a guest speaker - otherwise it will be coffee and chat again!! If you would like to join us just come along to the Village Hall at 11.00. If you need transport, please let me know and we will arrange for someone to pick you up. For further information please contact Ann Roberts (01886-821063) or Eileen Badger (01886 - 821501). *Ann Roberts*

## Saltmarshe & District WI

At our April meeting, Karen Jones introduced us to many varied techniques for painting furniture and adding decorative touches. Karen is one of seven traders who make up Bringsty Vintage Living, to be found on the A44 towards Worcester. (Find out more at:

[www.bringstyvintageliving.co.uk/](http://www.bringstyvintageliving.co.uk/) )

Karen is also to be found in her shop in the Square, sandwiched between Classic Carpets and Harris Butchers. If her talk is anything to go by, then the workshops she runs must be inspiring lots of people to makeover furniture and fittings that have become somewhat tired.

Karen went on a course to learn how to make the best use of Annie Sloan paint. Based in Oxford, Annie Sloan is a fine artist who has revolutionised the paint world by introducing a superb range of paint in thirty two colours. What makes it so marvellous is that it can be put onto practically any surface without the need for tedious preparation. It can cover almost any item of wood, leather, fabric, walls, floors and so on. Annie Sloan coined the phrase "lazy lady paint" which is free of chemicals, odourless and can be washed out with water. Apparently, men still find this too good to be true and still want to undercoat everything! A tin costing £18.95 would cover two large Welsh dressers. Karen talked us through the many ways of creating different effects. A crackle glaze technique leads to a fine porcelain finish. Karen finds that lots of outcomes happen by happy accident, which she can always pretend is what was intended all along. Everything she demonstrated seemed quick and easy, so that the majority of us probably went home with ideas for revamping at least one item in the house.

We were pleased to be joined by two new members plus a daughter of an existing member and we hope all

three ladies felt they were made welcome. Seven of us had gone to Bromyard W.I.'s meeting the previous evening where two of us had been lucky enough to win prizes. Evelyn brought along the beautiful flower arrangement she had won for all the group to see. Celia went home with a lovely large Easter egg. *Jean Spelman*

#### Village Hall 200 Club Draw

The draw took place at the Village Hall Committee Meeting on Wednesday 2nd April with the following results:

1st - £50 - Angela Sanders  
2nd - £30 - Mr Bradshaw  
3rd - £20 - Janet Rogers  
4th - £15 - Jerry Cummins  
5th - £10 - Christine East  
Congratulations to all the above winners. *Craig W Jones (Chairman)*

Open Garden Afternoon at Old Wishmore Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June from - 1.30pm until 4.30pm

On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June, we will open our garden on behalf of W.I.S.H to help raise funds towards the continuing growth and success of the village school.

We have developed the garden over the past six years, using the beautiful old walnut tree (the only plant that was in it) as a focal point.

Everyone is welcome and, as it will be **Father's Day, why not bring along** visiting parents and grandparents for a pleasant afternoon out? Homemade cakes, tea and coffee etc. will be available and there will be good quality plants to buy.

Old Wishmore is only a short stroll from the village, up Stocking Lane or round past The Rectory, so if you are able to walk this would ease the pressure on parking. Otherwise, perhaps you could share lifts where possible.

We look forward to seeing you here.  
*Elizabeth and Colin White*

#### Village Hall Committee AGM

The Village Hall Committee wish to advise that the AGM will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 4th June at 19.30. All parish residents are encouraged to attend and will be made most welcome. *Craig W Jones*

#### Invitation

The North Bromyard and Group Parish Council warmly invite all parishioners of Edvin Loach, Saltmarshe, Tedstone Delamere, Tedstone Wafre and Upper Sapey to the Annual Parish Meeting which will be held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at Upper Sapey Village Hall.

Light refreshments will be served.  
*Mandy Gardner, Clerk Tel: 01886 888237*

#### Garden Society Visits

*Wed 28th May.* Visit to Little Malvern Court. Meet Village Hall at 11.45 am.

*Thurs 19th June.* Visit to Cerney House. Meet Village Hall at 11 am

*Sat 26th July.* Visit to Garden in the Clouds. Meet Village Hall at 11 am.

*Wed 6th August.* Visit to Stone House. Meet Live and Let Live, Brinsty at 12.30 pm.

Phone Sheila Dodd for further details—821835.

## Lent Lunches

Many thanks to all who hosted and supported the Lent Lunches. In the region of £750 was collected. This supported WISH, the food bank, British Heart Foundation, Tanga in Touch, St. Michael's Hospice, Marie Curie and Whitbourne Church.

*Sylvia Bland*

## Whitbourne Garden Society

Dear fellow gardener,

The new Garden Society Committee has met and agreed the following posts:

Chairman: Christine Battrum  
Hon. Treasurer: Kim Cunningham  
Hon. Secretary: Noel Knight

In addition it was felt that a subscription of £5.00 per annum per person due annually on 1st April would be appropriate. As this is our inaugural year, Kim would be happy to receive subscriptions by the end of April. There will be a box in the shop - money in an envelope please, with your name.

The intention is to have four meetings per year including at least one outside speaker. *Christine Battrum*

## Mower Required

Upper Sapey Church are looking for a ride on mower to cut the grass in the church yard. If anyone has one to sell or donate please contact Carol Wilde 01886853491.

## Children's Society Boxes

We were able to send the Children's Society £100 this year. To all the box holders, thank you for your continuing support. *Eileen Badger*

Friends and Neighbours Coffee Mornings

Following the success of these mornings some years ago, we hope to **raise money for St John's Church**, Whitbourne in 2014.

They will take place from 10.30 am - 12.30 pm once a month with a raffle and donations.

We hope as many people as possible will come to these mornings to meet their neighbours and to make new friends. The first one will take place at Brook Cottage, Bottom Lane with Jerry and Wendy Cummins on Saturday 3rd May at 10.30am. The second will take place on Wednesday 11th June at 10.30 am with Doiran and Maureen Williams at Howberry, Top Lane.

Please try and find time to enjoy these mornings and help raise badly needed funds for our Parish Church. *Maureen Williams*

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## Healthy Differences

One sympathises with Sue Bayliss when she appeals for unity, but not at any price. (Sorry that this response was not in the April issue - gremlins.)

**Surely 'The Live' is not a contentious issue?** Would not everyone like to see a well-run pub there again?

The West Mercia Development Plan and the Neighbourhood Development Plan are indeed contentious and quite right too. Any issue worth our time and energy is likely to arouse strong feelings. The essential thing is not to impute base motives to those with whom we disagree. And we can all guard against that.

A word in defence of the Parish Council, if I may. For over 50 years now **I've had reason to study closely** the conduct of various public bodies. None has been less autocratic (or more patient in the face of unjust criticism) than our present P.C.

Twenty five years here have convinced me that Whitbourne has not been damaged by honest controversy. **Let's not be scared of difference.** We may by listening even learn something. *Doiran Williams*

## Size Matters!

**It's official** – when it comes to pumpkins, the bigger the better! Purchase your plant at the Village Fete on July 12<sup>th</sup>. Take it home and do all the things you can to encourage it to **grow to vast proportions.** **I'm sure** there are many tried and tested (and probably secret) ways of doing this, as well as resorting to *howtogrowas-tupendouspumpkin.com*

Having doted on said pumpkin, named it, read to it, talked to it etc., etc., bring it along to the Harvest Supper and see if you will claim the prize for the biggest pumpkin in Whitbourne.

Then take it home and eat it.

PS No trying to turn it into a coach. Coaches do not make good soup!  
*Margie Wall*

## Friends of W.I.S.H.

In April, we hosted our Lent Lunch at the School – a lovely occasion that was very well attended. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, despite the slight hiccup at the start when our tabletop cooker blew a fuse causing a frantic few minutes as we all tried to work out which of the school buildings multiple fuse boxes held the right switch! The children assisted with the catering and had cooked some delicious pea and mint soup and stuffed eggs, which were enjoyed along with plenty of bread rolls and a couple of other choices of soup, with hot cross buns and a hot drink to finish. The children had also been very creative and created some beautiful flower centrepieces for the tables. It was wonderful to have so many parish residents able to join the **children to 'break bread' together,** as well as have an opportunity to see some of what has been going on in the school. Yet again we have been overwhelmed with the generosity of donations extended to us by the community – we received £240 for the school; thank you so much to everyone who came! *Anna Adshead.*

## Tanzania Diaries II

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February

Last night Peter Kihyo, the priest, looked at me beseechingly and asked if I was going to the service this morning . . . at 7 am. In fact I was awake at 6, so I did, with my friend Pauline. She picked up a torn Bible outside the church. The area is **around 80% Muslim. 'It sometimes happens', she said. Fr. Peter prayed for the Muslims.**

After breakfast Henry picked us up and we went to Horten School as arranged. We met the Head Teacher, Mary Kingazi, then went on a tour of the school. It is fairly new. After the Millennium Debt Relief programme, the Government invested heavily in new schools and universities, many of the latter sponsored by various churches. With hindsight, it might have been useful to start a teacher training programme before building the schools. However, the government provides the buildings and pays the teachers; the communities have to find furniture, books and equipment. Consequently there are many schools with not enough teachers, no science apparatus, no computers, and very few books. I recently collected about two cubic metres of redundant Maths text books from Q.E. I am now packing them in boxes (old wine boxes, thanks to Whitbourne Shop) ready to go out on the container.

We went round the school and looked in at some of the classes. Some were working without a teacher in charge. The class monitor shouted an instruction, and they all stood up and said

'Good Morning'. Language is a great problem. Against all common sense, they are taught in English, which they are supposed to have learned in primary school. It is taught by teachers who can barely speak it themselves. It is not surprising that their exam marks are poor. But discipline is excellent. There are canes in schools, and they do sometimes, as a last resort, use them.



Horten School: children sing their national song at assembly each day.

Then we spoke with the teachers. So many problems. They need simple English readers. They need to feed the children. So many are orphans (due to HIV and other causes), who hardly get enough to eat at home and go without a midday meal unless they can pay. Then after 'lunch' there are remedial classes. Of course, children cannot learn with empty stomachs.

There are not enough toilets – **three girls' and three boys', for eight hundred children.**

They need more books for the school library, and more text books. They need science apparatus and computers. They now have one com-

puter – the recycled laptop I took out and gave to the Head.

There is no fence round the school; villagers get in and steal things, their cows get in and eat the flowers, the children get out and play truant. The teachers are planting a sisal hedge (sisal is a large spiky plant); the villagers pull it up. Of course, they have grazed their cattle on this land for centuries before the school was built.

After giving us lunch - fruit, then ugali (their staple diet, a stiff porage made with maize meal), beans, ladies fingers and spinach, eaten with fingers of course (ever tried eating baked beans with your fingers?) - the students put on a play, showing a typical situation at home. Mother dies, children go to live with uncle.

**Uncle's wife does not get on with** them, and they end up on the streets. Apparently it happens increasingly. There are 43 orphanages in Tanzania. There used to be none, so the problem is growing. Also, car ownership is increasing in leaps and bounds; there are many more accidents, some of them fatal.

Twelve children were brought in, all orphans with nowhere to live. (In the middle of the night I wake up with a brainwave. Putting two and two together: we have a hostel which, at the moment, is empty. Children need a roof over their heads. Hmmm!)

But in spite of these problems (common to most schools in Tanzania) there is a good feel to the school and teachers are caring and helpful. I wonder how we can help. As well as books, we might find a bit of spare money. I ask the Head how much the

toilets will cost. She promises to let me know.

Language causes difficulties. I get three verbs confused: kuelewa, to understand; kuolewa, to be married; kulewa, to be drunk. Trying to say I do not understand something, I end up saying I am a drunken spinster!

Later in the week I went to a meeting of the Pillars of the Church. This is an organisation which looks after church business. We discuss orphans and the hostel. They are in favour of doing something for the orphans, but want to develop the hostel as a conference centre, using the church hall, next door, for meetings. But there are other sites which could be bought for accommodation. It **just needs money....** *Brenda Allan*



One of the 'houses' near the church which could be redeveloped.

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## At a glance

Saturday 3rd May **Friend's and Neighbour's Coffee Morning** 10.30-12.30 hosted by Wendy and Jerry Cummins, Brook Cottage, Bottom Lane.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May The Bromyard & District Local History Society talk for **May 'Women's Institute at War'**. An illustrated talk by Vince Williams and Jon Goodson. 7.30 pm at The Conquest Theatre Bromyard. A Fascinating story of the efforts, roles and undertakings made by the WI during wars and conflicts. Non members £3 Members free. All Welcome.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May. **Whitbourne's Got Talent**. A great evening expected with lots of fun entertainment from local people. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. If you can sing, dance, tell a joke or poem, play an instrument etc., then please get in touch to perform on the night. £1 per person to perform. We need people to perform! 1st prize £20 plus 2nd and 3rd prizes. Tickets £2. Proceeds to Whitbourne Village Hall. Please call 01886 821 736.

Wednesday 11th June **Friend's and Neighbour's Coffee Morning** 10.30-12.30 hosted by Doiran and Maureen Williams, Top Lane.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Whitbourne Pudding Club evening

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September. A Portrait of Whitbourne

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Whitbourne Harvest Supper

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Saltmarshe & District Hall Harvest Supper

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Upper Sapey Village Hall Harvest Supper

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Upper Sapey Christmas Fayre ~ 11am-2pm at the Hall. All Welcome.

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month except June, July and August. Upper Sapey Village Hall Whist Drives. 8pm Start.

### Whitbourne Garden Society Annual Show Saturday 12th July

Whitbourne Village Hall 2.00-4.30pm

**Please consider entering the show. The show's schedule was published in last month's magazine and is available from the**

Village Shop and on the website at [www.whitbourne.org.uk/files/Garden%20Show%202014.pdf](http://www.whitbourne.org.uk/files/Garden%20Show%202014.pdf). Entry form included on page 21.

**Full details in next month's magazine**

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May 2 FILM Gravity 8pm  
May 9 The Cannos (Dubliners)  
7.30pm  
May 10 Northanger Abbey 7.30pm  
May 15/16 Conquest Youth - The  
One Hundred and One Dalmatians  
May 17 Remi Harris 7.30pm  
May 21 Bromyard Film Society 12  
Angry Men  
May 22 NT LIVE The Curious Inci-  
dent of the Dog in the Night-Time  
7pm  
May 23 FILM 12 Years a Slave 8pm  
May 25 NY MET LIVE La Cenerentola  
7pm  
May 28 RSC LIVE Henry IV Part I 7pm  
May 30 FILM The Railway Man 8pm  
May 31 Folk in the Foyer Merrie Noyse  
7.30pm

# News from the Ferndale Singers

We are nearing the end of our second term under the baton of our new Musical Director, Jon Weller, and are rehearsing hard for our concert in **St Paul's Church, Tupsley, Hereford**, which takes place at 7.30pm on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> June. We will be presenting a programme of British choral music, which will include compositions by Handel, Parry, Elgar, Vaughan Williams, Britten, Lennon and McCartney.

**St Paul's is a fantastic venue, warm** with comfortable seating and with excellent facilities. Can we encourage our many loyal supporters to cross the border and spend what we **hope will be a lovely summer's evening** at this event? Tickets, which include light refreshments, cost £8 for adults and £4 for children and can be obtained by telephoning 01886 821127, 01905 333225, 01905 333526 or 07712242141 or at the door. Please also telephone, if help with transport is required. *Chris Baker*

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## Why do I volunteer at Longlands Care Farm?

I first met Tracy when I accompanied the village school down to Longlands Farm in Whitbourne, on one of their regular visits. Helping Julia Evans to take them round was a stocky young woman with spiky black hair, a nose ring and a tattoo on her wrist. She was knowledgeable about the animals, great with the children, and they really looked up to her. I assumed she was an adult member of the farm staff.

I met her again when I went to see round the Care Farm. Tracy and a friend were driving the buggy, with Julia, to check on some stock. Tracy was obstructive, aggressive, and lippy if not to say foul-mouthed – totally the difficult teenager, and very definitely one of the Care Farm students. At one point I thought she was going to lose it altogether – and Julia quietly sent me and the friend off to change the battery on an electric fence. When we got back, the sun had come out again; Julia and Tracy were laughing together in the buggy.

Julia told me later that Tracy had been referred to the farm because her anger was getting completely unmanageable at school. So is the farm a reward for bad behaviour? Just a free day out from school? Well, if that's all it was then I wouldn't be volunteering there.

So what does the farm offer? The Care Farm gives teenagers who are turned off school some real work – which gives them motivation; useful skills – and qualifications in them;

and self discipline – they have to learn and keep to safe procedures in activities that require care and concentration. Working with animals seems to have beneficial effects on **everyone**. **But in Tracy's case it was** working with younger children, and helping with the Riding for the Disabled group, that brought out the very best in her.

Tracy was a different person on that school visit. A different person? The same person, of course – she always had it in her. But the only model for dealing with life that Tracy had ever known was anger. Learning how to do it differently takes time, guidance, patience and commitment – from student and staff. That is what the farm is giving her – with all its other opportunities – and it may be her only chance to become the person she already has it in her to be.

**Yes, it's a privilege, coming to the farm.** They are a very lucky few, and I wish we could do it for a lot more. But if we can give 20 or 30 teenagers, **who've had very few privileges in** their lives, something really positive, really good, and really purposeful, and help them to turn their lives round, then that has to be worth doing. **That's why I volunteer.**

*Paul Lack, Volunteer, Longlands Care Farm*

[www.longlandscarefarm.co.uk](http://www.longlandscarefarm.co.uk)

*(Again, Tracy is not one identifiable student, but she could be)*

## Bling Time in Whitbourne!!

Yes my friends, here we go again! It's that time of year and I shall be ram-BLING on about all sorts of BLING-related nonsense for a couple of months. So, time to dig out the glitz for the Village Fete BLING stall (July 12<sup>th</sup>). Send all those bits and bobs that are choking your drawers and cupboards my way, and I will find them loving homes.

In case you are new to my demands, I am collecting: jewellery, scarves, gloves, hats, new bathroom/beauty products, dressing table boxes, jewellery boxes, bags and new clothing. **Don't skulk off chaps, I'm after man stuff too - 'twas ever thus!**

Remember last year? You could have fried eggs on the grass. It was too hot to wear a watch but, thanks to the good folk of Whitbourne, we did a roaring trade and the stall raised £156! With no expenses to pay, every penny went to the chosen charities.

Of course this year our aim is to beat £156 and you can help us to do just that!

So, no grumBLING - get busy with assemBLING your unwanted goodies!

**No, you haven't been transported** to the land of loonies and if you have any questions and want to risk talking to me, it's 07928378668. *Margie Wall*

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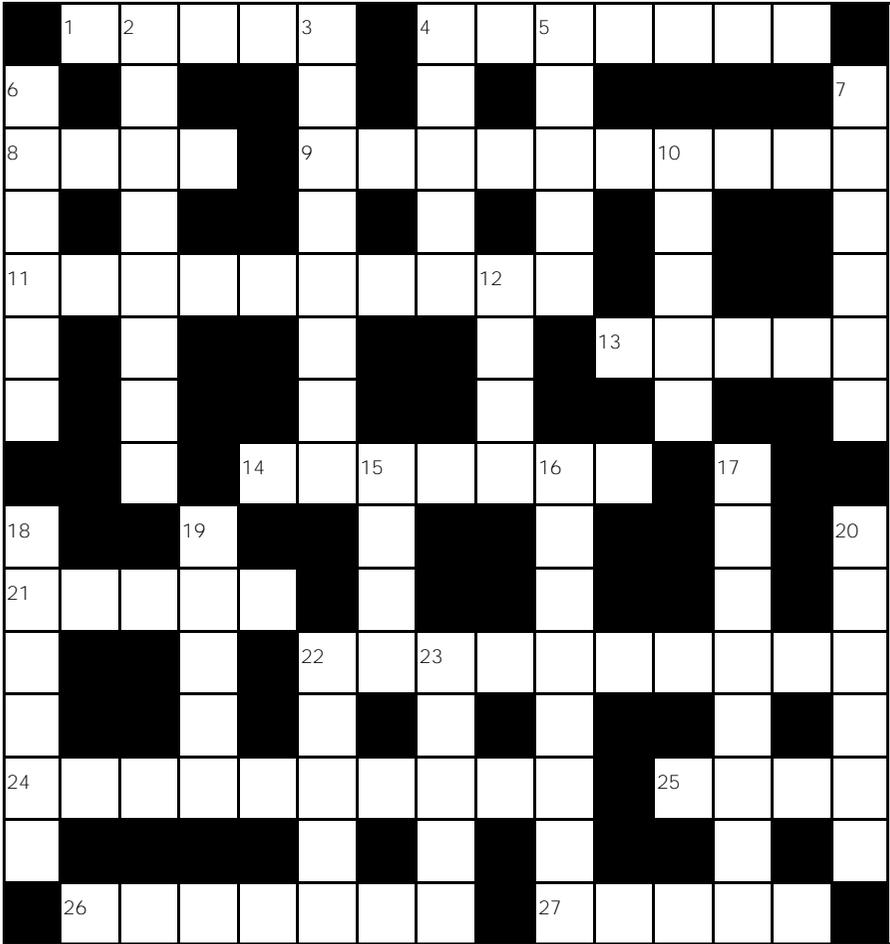
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Crossword No. 24 (Compiled by Lord Threadneedle of Whitbourne)



Across

- 1. Something to kick up (1,4)
- 4. Athenian rival (7)
- 8. Gone above and beyond (4)
- 9. Paint outside, perhaps? (10)
- 11. Filial, ingratitude to Lear! (10)
- 13. Of lowest form (5)
- 14. Anarchic rules subtracted (7)
- 21. Assertively forward (5)
- 22. **St. John's world displayed** (5,5)

- 24. Freedom fighters (10)

- 25. **Hermes' ancestor** (4)

- 26. **Ol' Blue Eyes** (7)

- 27. Aster relative (2-3)

Down

- 2. Attend a place often (8)
- 3. Flowering vine (5,3)
- 4. Feline reigns in kitchen (5)
- 5. Prepared to recite and why? (5)

**6 & 7 down. Jason's cloak, a sunshine fabric? (6,6)**

10. Same again (5)

12. Rope made from lithium and neon (4)

15. New Zealand insect (4)

16. Bosnian capital (8)

**17. Lord's rope (8)**

**18. The world's starting price in this place (6)**

19. Forces colour (5)

20. Of the nose (6)

22. Short choral work (5)

23. Earflap (5)

Solution to crossword No. 23.

Across. 3) quadrant; 7) dog-rose; 10) gourd; 11) once; 12) long-boat ; 15) far; 16&1) playing fields; 18) rot; 20) land-mass; 22) nook; 23) April; 26) samovar; 27) cloister; 28) toying;

Down. 1) falconry; 2) Lionel; 4) drag; 5) tundra; 6) don; 8) emporium; 9) buzzard; 13) gladness; 14) showers; 17) duckling; 19) italic; 21) sneaky; 24) loss; 25) emu

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## Letter from the Bishop of Ludlow

May is regularly a busy month. It is almost as if after Easter there is a burst of life just like that which occurs in the garden. This May is no exception with the annual visitations and admission to office of our Churchwardens. It is an ancient office that has adapted and changed over the years. Nevertheless, it remains vital to our parish ministry. The obvious duties are those that are legal and practical. Perhaps the less obvious remain the most important; namely the ability those who exercise office have in encouraging mission and ministry, and in being the inspirational gatekeepers and leaders in their local communities.

Staying with the theme of leadership; this month the Crown Nominations Committee (CNC) reconvenes their search for our new bishop. Please continue to pray for them in their **task of seeking and discerning God's** choice for the next Bishop of Hereford. I know that for many there was disappointment that a decision was not forthcoming first time around. Although it means a slightly longer wait, we are grateful for all the care and thought that lies behind the processes so far.

This month also sees the twentieth anniversary of the first ordination of women to be priests in our church. In celebration of this, there will be a national service of thanksgiving in **St Paul's Cathedral on the 3<sup>rd</sup>** of May. I and a good number of others will be attending that service. Following on

from that, we are holding our own celebration in the Cathedral in Hereford on the 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm. Again, please look out for details in respect of these services. Twenty years ago our church took a great step forward in ordaining women as priests. Their ministry over those two decades has, and continues to be blessed and welcomed. Our own diocese is in the forefront of that openness and affirmation. Taking time to give thanks and celebrate is simply just and fitting.

Many of us look forward to the day when all orders of ministry are equally open to men and women. The **House of Bishop's five guiding principles** have been instrumental in enabling a turn around since the painful vote in 2012. Those principles include a clear declaration that on the matter of women in the Episcopate, when the legalities are complete, the church has unequivocally made up its mind in respect of equality and orders. There is still work to be done before the July General Synod. Nevertheless, May should indeed be a merry month!  
*Bishop Alistair McGowan*

## Food Banks - Do we Need Them?

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For some months the parish church at Whitbourne has encouraged worshippers to bring to our services items of food which can then go to Food Banks. So we felt it right to find out the facts. We enquired at the Hereford Food Bank.

This opened in February, 2013. Since then the number of cases referred to it has risen by 30%. Mark that word "referred". You can't just wander into the Food Bank off the street. To get food you need to be referred by one of a number of accredited bodies, such as the Citizens Advice Bureau, a housing association, the Red Cross, or a family support agency. The Food Bank can only help if one of these bodies certifies that there is a genuine, immediate need.

But what about scroungers returning to Food Banks over and over again? Alison Russell, co-ordinator at the Hereford Food Bank, tells us that 77% of referrals only attend once. More than one attendance has to be certified afresh.

So we intend to continue our support for Food Banks.

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Most of the March meeting was taken up with routine tasks. Terriers and log-books were produced by the churchwardens. These are the lists of church property, and work done on the churches. In theory these provide a complete record of the development and care of our church buildings.

We have Annual Meetings and elections coming up. If you feel like helping to organise things which happen in the church as a member of a DCC (looking after one church) or PCC (the legal body which looks after all four churches) or even Deanery Synod (which looks after all four parishes in the Deanery – the Bredenbury, Bromyard and Bishops Frome groups and Greater Whitbourne), please see the Rector. By the time you read this it will be too late for elections, but people can sometimes be co-opted.

Several people are retiring; Sylvia Bland, churchwarden of Whitbourne; Stuart Beare, who was PCC secretary for some years; Allan Wyatt, who was PCC Secretary before Stuart, but more recently secretary of Edvin Loach DCC, and Jackie and Richard Evans, churchwardens of Edvin Loach. We wish them all joy in their **'retirement'**. **May they have great pleasure in doing all the things for which previously they had no time.**

The treasurer produced his budget for 2014. This shows a parish share figure based on what we can afford, rather than what has been requested. Other parishes are in the same position, which has resulted in the Dioc-

san quest for ideas. The outcome will be interesting.

Church buildings were reported on. Whitbourne has issues with trees, cracks and a flooded boiler room: **Tedstone's electrical work is imminent**; Edvin Loach has minor problems with its roof. Upper Sapey however has a larger problem; the nave is quietly subsiding into the boiler room beneath. We are hoping to obtain a Heritage Lottery Fund grant to deal with this, but it will involve other work. A toilet and other facilities are in our sights. To this end, we are arranging a tour of church toilets at the end of March, to see how other people have tackled the problem.  
*Brenda Allan*

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## Church Loo Tour

A toilet in church is almost a necessity these days, unless there is a friendly neighbour or useful bushes in the churchyard. At Whitbourne, we had one installed in 2001, together with a kitchen, and now cannot imagine life without it. But three of our churches, Edvin Loach, Tedstone Delamere and Upper Sapey, are still without. All small buildings, it is difficult to see how one could be fitted in. The bureaucracy involved is eye-watering. Water has to be brought in (unless a composting variety is chosen), drainage has to be sorted (and in a churchyard, this involves archaeological surveys and avoiding graves). The difficulties are immense. But Upper Sapey is rising to the challenge.

As one of the initial stages, we recently had a tour of other churches to see how they have done it. We began at Dilwyn, with their composing toilet in the tower, then to Gladestry in Wales, where a churchwarden was delighted to have company. We were impressed there with their fold-away kitchenette. Their toilet, in the old boiler room, had access from outside. Then to Almeley where an ingenious toilet has been built in, screening the kitchen area from the church.

After a very good lunch at Weobley we went on to see two Community Churches, at Mansell Lacy and Bridge Sollars, where the functions of village hall and church are combined. Toilets in the former were in the tower. **The 'church area' is screened off from the social space. At the latter a series of built-in 'cubes' contain the kitchen,**

heating works (ground source heating was really effective - all the other churches were like walking into a cold store) and storage space for chairs. Lastly we went to Breinton where the toilet was at the back of the church behind the organ. The kitchen area was the other side of the organ, but was just the right size and did not look out of place.

So there was plenty of food for thought. Upper Sapey are now getting their ideas sorted out. Any work like this takes a long time in the planning and a long time to sort out the funding. Fingers crossed, you might be able to visit Upper Sapey in **comfort in 2015! (But don't let that put you off visiting before - there are both bushes and friendly churchwardens.)** *Brenda Allan*

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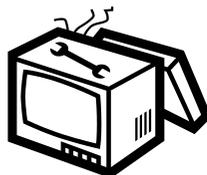
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## Flowers and Brasses

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11th May	Mrs M. Malkin
18th May	Mrs. M. Schoonenberg
25th May	Mrs M. Schoonenberg
1st June	Mrs M. Jones
8th June	Mrs M. Jones
15th June	Mrs. H Colley
22nd June	Mrs H. Colley
29th June	Mrs A. Taylor

Any queries relating to flowers, please contact Mrs Ann Taylor on 821744.

## Sidesmen—Whitbourne

4th May	Mrs S. Bland & S. Cole
11th May	Mrs M. Kneen
18th May	Mr J. Cummins
25th May	Mrs C. Short
1st June	Mr J. Allan
8th June	Mr J. Ransley
15th June	Mrs S. Bland & S. Cole
22nd June	Mrs M. Kneen
29th June	Mr J. Cummins

## Parish Communion Readers—Whitbourne

4th May	Mrs M. Kneen
11th May	Mr J. Bland
18th May	Mr C. Short
25th May	Mr J. Howell
1st June	Mrs S. Bland
8th June	Mrs B. Allan
15th June	Mrs S. Dodd
22nd June	Sir N. Harington
29th June	Mr J. Allan

## Church Cleaning—Whitbourne

3rd May	Mrs A. Evans
10th May	Mrs G. Stormonth Darling
17th May	Mrs A. Howell
24th May	Mrs M. Kneen
31st May	Mrs. E. James
7th June	Mr J. Allan
14th June	Mrs E. & Miss L. Badger
21st June	Mrs A. Evans
28th June	Mrs G. Stormonth Darling

## Upper Sapey

May/June	Carol Wilde/Helen Miles
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## Coffee - Whitbourne

4th May	Mrs A. Evans & Mrs M. Schoonenberg
11th May	Mrs A. Taylor & Mrs M. Williams
18th May	Mrs E. Badger & Mrs P. Ransley
25th May	Mrs W. Cummins & Mrs S. Dodd
1st June	Mr and Mrs J. Bland
8th June	Mrs A. Evans & Mrs M. Schoonenberg
15th June	Mrs A. Taylor & Mrs M. Williams
22nd June	Mrs E. Badger & Mrs P. Ransley
29th June	Mrs W. Cummins & Mrs S. Dodd

Any queries relating to flowers, please contact Mrs Ann Taylor on 821744. Anyone wishing to be included in the cleaning rotas can contact Carol Wilde on 853491 (Upper Sapey) or Myrtle Kneen on 821707 (Whitbourne). New volunteers for any of the rotas are always welcome.

If the dates shown for the rotas are inconvenient and you are not able to change with anyone else on the list, please let Myrtle Kneen know on 01886 821707. Thank you to all those who put so much effort into keeping our Churches running smoothly.

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Sunday 4th May 3rd Sunday of Easter	8 am	*Holy Communion, Whitbourne
	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
Sunday 11th May 4th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
	11 am	Holy Communion, Upper Sapey
Sunday 18th May 5th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
	11 am	Holy Communion, Tedstone Delamere
	3.00 pm	Evening Prayer, Edvin Loach
Sunday 25th May 6th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
Sunday 1st June 7th Sunday of Easter	8 am	*Holy Communion, Whitbourne
	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
Sunday 8th June Pentecost	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
	11 am	Holy Communion, Upper Sapey
Sunday 15th June Trinity Sunday	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne
	11 am	Holy Communion, Tedstone Delamere
	3.00 pm	Holy Communion, Edvin Loach
Sunday 22nd June Birth of John the Baptist	10 am	Patronal Festival, Whitbourne
Sunday 29th June St Peter and St Paul	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne

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\* denotes Book of Common Prayer. Wednesday mornings are set aside for Home Communion. Please contact the Rector on 01886 821285 if you would like a visit.

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